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## qualities & definitions

### **Alertness**

Being aware of what is taking place around me so I can have the right responses

### **Attentiveness**

Showing the worth of a person or task by giving my undivided concentration

### **Availability**

Making my schedule and priorities secondary to the wishes of those I serve

### **Benevolence**

Giving to others' basic needs without having as my motive personal reward

### **Boldness**

Confidence to say or do what is true, right, and just

### **Cautiousness**

Knowing the importance of right timing in accomplishing right actions

### **Compassion**

Investing whatever is necessary to heal the hurts of others

### **Contentment**

Realizing that true happiness does not depend on material conditions

### **Creativity**

Approaching a need, a task, or an idea from a new perspective

### **Decisiveness**

The ability to recognize key factors and finalize difficult decisions

### **Deference**

Limiting my freedom so I do not offend the tastes of those around me

### **Dependability**

Fulfilling what I consented to do, even if it means unexpected sacrifice

### **Determination**

Purposing to accomplish right goals at the right time, regardless of the opposition

### **Diligence**

Investing all my energy to complete the tasks assigned to me

### **Discernment**

Understanding the deeper reasons why things happen

### **Discretion**

Recognizing and avoiding words, actions, and attitudes that could bring undesirable consequences

### **Endurance**

The inward strength to withstand stress and do my best

### **Enthusiasm**

Expressing joy in each task as I give it my best effort

### **Faith**

Confidence that actions rooted in good character will yield the best outcome, even when I cannot see how

### **Flexibility**

Willingness to change plans or ideas without getting upset

### **Forgiveness**

Clearing the record of those who have wronged me and not holding a grudge

### **Generosity**

Carefully managing my resources so I can freely give to those in need

### **Gentleness**

Showing consideration and personal concern for others

### **Gratefulness**

Letting others know by my words and actions how they have benefited my life

### **Honor**

Respecting others because of their worth as human beings

### **Hospitality**

Cheerfully sharing food, shelter, and friendship with others

### **Humility**

Acknowledging that achievement results from the investment of others in my life

### **Initiative**

Recognizing and doing what needs to be done before I am asked to do it

### **Joyfulness**

Maintaining a good attitude, even when faced with unpleasant conditions

### **Justice**

Taking personal responsibility to uphold what is pure, right, and true

### **Loyalty**

Using difficult times to demonstrate my commitment to those I serve

### **Meekness**

Yielding my expectations in order to benefit others

### **Obedience**

Quickly and cheerfully carrying out the direction of those who are responsible for me

### **Orderliness**

Arranging myself and my surroundings to achieve greater efficiency

### **Patience**

Accepting a difficult situation without giving a deadline to remove it

### **Persuasiveness**

Guiding vital truths around another's mental roadblocks

### **Punctuality**

Showing respect for other people and their time

### **Resourcefulness**

Making wise use of what others might overlook or discard

### **Responsibility**

Knowing and doing what is expected of me

### **Security**

Structuring my life around that which cannot be destroyed or taken away

### **Self-Control**

Rejecting wrong desires and doing what is right

### **Sensitivity**

Using my senses to perceive the true attitudes and emotions of others

### **Sincerity**

Eagerly doing what is right with transparent motives

### **Thoroughness**

Knowing what factors will diminish the effectiveness of my work or words, if neglected

### **Thriftness**

Allowing myself and others to spend only what is necessary

### **Tolerance**

Accepting others at different levels of maturity

### **Truthfulness**

Earning future trust by accurately reporting past facts

### **Virtue**

The moral excellence evident in my life as I consistently do what is right

### **Wisdom**

Making practical application of truth in daily decisions